

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 4516, Legislative Branch Appropriations
House Committee ordered reported the Full and Fair Political Activity
Disclosure Act of 2000.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5583–S5711

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2766–2779, and S. Res. 326–327. **Pages S5662–63**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals”. (S. Rept. No. 106–311)

H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 106–312)

H.R. 3051, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Jicarilla Apache Reservation in the State of New Mexico. **Page S5662**

Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations—Agreement: Senate began consideration of H.R. 4577, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, on Thursday, June 22, 2000.

Pages S5588–S5609, S5628–48

Adopted:

Specter/Harkin Amendment No. 3590, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S5588–90**

By 57 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 143), Enzi Amendment No. 3593, to limit the use of funds for standards relating to ergonomic protection.

Pages S5590, S5636–46

Rejected:

By 44 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 144), Robb Modified Amendment No. 3598, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage

of outpatient prescription drugs under the Medicare program. **Pages S5609, S5628–29, S5636, S5646**

Withdrawn:

Robb Motion to Commit, with instructions.

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Hutchinson Modified Amendment No. 3594 (to Amendment No. 3593), to limit the use of funds for standards relating to ergonomic protection.

Pages S5590, S5636

Pending:

McCain Amendment No. 3610, to enhance protection of children using the Internet. **Pages S5647–48**

A motion was entered to close further debate on Robb Motion to Commit, with instructions and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur at a time to be determined. Subsequently, the cloture motion fell when the Motion to Commit, with instructions (listed above) was withdrawn.

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During consideration of this measure today, the following actions also occurred:

Lott Amendment No. 3600 (to instructions of the motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations), to limit the use of funds for standards relating to ergonomic protection, fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn. **Pages S5628–29**

Lott Amendment No. 3601 (to Amendment No. 3600), to limit the use of funds for standards relating to ergonomic protection, fell when the motion to commit was withdrawn. **Pages S5628–29**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and pending amendment, on Friday, June 23, 2000.

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Foreign Operations Appropriations: Senate completed consideration of S. 2522, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September

30, 2001, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5609–28**

Adopted:

Feingold Modified Amendment No. 3520, to increase amounts appropriated for international disaster assistance for Mozambique and Southern Africa. **Pages S5609–10**

McConnell (for Chafee) Modified Amendment No. 3551, to express the sense of the Senate that the United States should authorize and fully fund a bilateral and multilateral program of debt relief for the world's poorest countries. **Pages S5610–12**

McConnell (for Smith-NH) Modified Amendment No. 3555, to express the Sense of the Senate that the Secretary of the Treasury should direct the executive directors to all international financial institutions to use the voice and vote of the United States to oppose loans, credits, or guarantees to the Russian Federation, except for basic human needs, if the Russian Federation delivers any additional SS–N–22 missiles or components to the People's Republic of China. **Pages S5610–12**

Nickles Modified Amendment No. 3569, to make certain funds available to combat methamphetamine production and trafficking. **Pages S5610–12**

Leahy (for Byrd) Modified Amendment No. 3531, to provide support for the Defense Classified Activities. **Page S5612**

Boxer Modified Amendment No. 3541, to provide additional funding for efforts to combat international HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis. **Page S5613**

Withdrawn:

Helms Amendment No. 3498, to require the United States to withhold assistance to Russia by an amount equal to the amount which Russia provides Serbia. **Page S5615**

During consideration of this measure today, the Senate also took the following action:

McConnell Amendment No. 3553, to provide that funds made available as a U.S. contribution to the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Trust Fund shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations (agreed to on Wednesday, June 21, 2000), was modified. **Pages S5610–12**

Senate sustained a point of order against Boxer Further Modified Amendment No. 3542, to affirm and support Department of Defense policy that United States Armed Forces personnel in Colombia should make every effort to minimize the possibility of confrontation with civilians in Colombia, and to prohibit the use of Department of Defense funds for certain activities with regard to Colombia, as being in violation of Rule XVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S5613–15**

By 95 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 141), Senate agreed to the motion to advance the bill to third reading. Subsequently, the bill was placed back on the Senate calendar. **Page S5628**

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol ("Beijing Amendment") (Treaty Doc. No. 106–32).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and were ordered to be printed. **Page S5710**

Motion to Request Attendance: During today's proceedings, by 94 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 142), Senate agreed to the motion to instruct the Sergeant at Arms to request the attendance of absent Senators. **Pages S5635–36**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the national emergency with respect to the 1979 Iranian emergency and assets blocking; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–116) **Pages S5659–60**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the executive order blocking property of the Government of the Russian Federation relating to the disposition of highly enriched uranium extracted from nuclear weapons; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–117) **Page S5660**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

9 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral. **Page S5711**

Messages From the President: **Pages S5659–60**

Messages From the House: **Pages S5660–61**

Measures Referred: **Page S5661**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S5661**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S5658–59**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S5710**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—144) **Pages S5628, S5635–36, S5646**

Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—6) **Page S5635**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:49 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, June 23, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5711.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

UNITED AIRLINES-US AIRWAYS MERGER

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the state of airline competition and the Department of Transportation's role in reviewing airline mergers and acquisitions, focusing on the proposed United Airlines and US Airways merger, and its effect on competition in the airline industry, and the likelihood it would trigger further industry consolidation, after receiving testimony from Nancy E. McFadden, General Counsel, Department of Transportation; and Albert A. Foer, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the American Antitrust Institute.

NATIONAL PARKS/NATIONAL MONUMENTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded hearings on S. 1643, to authorize the addition of certain parcels to the Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa, and S. 2547, to provide for the establishment of the Great Sand Dunes National Park and the Great Sand Dunes National Preserve in the State of Colorado, after receiving testimony from Senators Grassley and Allard; Representative McInnis; Stephen Saunders, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Colorado State Senator Gigi Dennis, Denver; Mark Burget, Boulder, Colorado, on behalf of the Nature Conservancy; Ray Wright, Rio Grande Water Conservation District, Alamosa, Colorado; J. Michael Baumann, Foundation for North American Wild Sheep, Arvada, Colorado; Mark C. Ackelson, Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation, Des

Moines; and Richard C. Young, Young Family Foundation, Waterloo, Iowa.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Rust Macpherson Deming, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, Mary Ann Peters, of California, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Janet A. Sanderson, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria, and E. Ashley Wills, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Maldives, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FOREIGN SERVICE PROMOTION PROCESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations concluded hearings to examine issues related to the role of security in the Department of State foreign service promotion process, including ambassadorial nominees, security incidents in controlled access areas, security awareness training, and raising security consciousness, after receiving testimony from Marc Grossman, Director General of the Foreign Service and Director of Human Resources, and David G. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary for Diplomatic Security and Senior Adviser to the Secretary of State on Security Issues, both of the Department of State; and Marshall P. Adair, American Foreign Service Association, and Fern Finley, American Federation of Government Employees (Local #1534), both of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Thomas L. Garthwaite, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of Veteran Affairs for Health; and Robert M. Walker, of West Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Walker was introduced by Senator Cleland.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1148, to provide for the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska certain benefits of the Missouri River Basin Pick-Sloan project, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1658, to authorize the construction of a Reconciliation Place in Fort Pierre, South Dakota, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and